Nagaland: The Archives Department which is a Branch of the Directorate of Art and Culture is in its initial stage of reorganisation. The Department is not, therefore, in a position to implement all the resolutions passed by the Indian Historical Records Commission at its various sessions.

V. Resolutions of the 43rd Session held at Lucknow, 28-29 January, 1975.

Resolution II: The Commission resolves that the Government of India be requested to treat the National Archives of India Annexe as a functional building and to give top priority to its construction, which is absolutely essential for the National Archives of India to effectively discharge its responsibilities, and particularly to implement the Archival Policy Resolution which requires it to accept custody of billions of the non-current public records lying scattered and neglected in the various Ministries/Departments of the Government of India.

National Archives of India: Design of the proposed Annexe to the National Archives of India has been approved and sanction of the Government of India for an expenditure of Rs. 2.22 crores for this work has since been received. Ministry of Works and Housing has been requested to arrange for early start of construction work.

Resolution III: The Commission is greatly perturbed over the reported large scale destruction of old public records in several States, notwithstanding the repeated recommendations of the Commission (vide Resolution No. II of 1925, Resolution No. VII of 1942, Resolution No.V of 1943, Resolution VI of 1951) and resolves that a Sub-Committee consisting of five Members of the Commission be constituted to investigate and report to the Standing Committee, within six months, on the following:

(a) the extent to which the above resolutions are being implemented;

(b) the period and the nature of records destroyed during the last two years;

(c) the qualifications and suitability of the staff engaged on appraisal of old records; and

(d) the steps which can be taken immediately to ensure to preservation of records of permanent value.

2. The Commission also recommends to the State Governments that no pre-1947 records be destroyed till the said Committee has submitted its report.